EXHIBIT C

WORK AUTHORIZATION

WORK AUTHORIZATION NO. <u>7</u> PROJECT: <u>North Barker Street Improvements in Thrall</u>

This Work Authorization is made pursuant to the terms and conditions of the Williamson County Contract for Environmental Services, being dated May 9, 2024, and entered into by and between Williamson County, Texas, a political subdivision of the State of Texas, (the "County") and SWCA Environmental Consultants (the "Firm").

- Part 1. The Firm will provide the following Environmental Services set forth in Attachment "B" of this Work Authorization.
- Part 2. The maximum amount payable for services under this Work Authorization without modification is \$13,179.00.
- Part 3. Payment to the Firm for the services established under this Work Authorization shall be made in accordance with the Contract.
- Part 4. This Work Authorization shall become effective on the date of final acceptance and full execution of the parties hereto and shall terminate on <u>December 31, 2025</u>. The Firm's Services set forth in Attachment "B" of this Work Authorization shall be fully completed on or before said date unless extended by a Supplemental Work Authorization.
- Part 5. This Work Authorization does not waive the parties' responsibilities and obligations provided under the Contract.
- Part 6. County believes it has sufficient funds currently available and authorized for expenditure to finance the costs of this Work Authorization. Firm understands and agrees that County's payment of amounts under this Work Authorization is contingent on the County receiving appropriations or other expenditure authority sufficient to allow the County, in the exercise of reasonable administrative discretion, to continue to make payments under this Contract. It is further understood and agreed by Firm that County shall have the right to terminate this Contract at the end of any County fiscal year if the governing body of County does not appropriate sufficient funds as determined by County's budget for the fiscal year in question. County may effect such termination by giving written notice of termination to Firm.
- Part 7. This Work Authorization is hereby accepted and acknowledged below.

| EXECUTED this <u>04/30/2025</u> | · | |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|--|
| FIRM: | COUNTY: | |
| SWCA Environmental Consultants | Williamson County, Texas | |
| By: / // // // | By: Steven Svell | |
| Signature | Signature | |
| Matthew McMillan | Steven Snell | |
| Printed Name | Printed Name | |
| Natural Resources Director – Austin | County Judge | |
| Title | Title | |

LIST OF ATTACHMENTS

Attachment A – Services to be Provided by the County

Attachment B – Services to be Provided by the Firm

Attachment C – Work Schedule

Attachment D – Fee Schedule

APPROVED

By Christen Eschberger at 2:27 pm, Apr 08, 2025

ATTACHMENT A SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED BY THE COUNTY FOR THE NORTH BARKER STREET IMPROVEMENTS IN THRALL

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In general, Williamson County and its representatives to their best efforts will render services as follows:

- 1. Name, business address, and phone number of County's project manager.
- 2. Assistance to the Firm, as necessary, with obtaining data and information from other local, regional, State, and Federal agencies required for this project.
- 3. Obtain Rights of Entry from landowners that are unwilling to grant access to the Firm.
- 4. Provide available appropriate County data on file, plans and specifications that are deemed pertinent to the completion of the work required by the scope of services (including previous hydraulic studies, models, previous reports and studies, available existing traffic counts, and design year traffic projections).
- 5. Provide available criteria and full information as to the client's requirements for the project. Provide examples of acceptable format for the required deliverables.
- 6. Provide timely reviews and decisions necessary for the Firm to maintain the project work schedule. Review recommendations offered by the Firm, progress of work, and final acceptance of all documents.
- 7. Submittal of documentation to regulatory agencies for review and comment, when specified.
- 8. Support project development efforts with stakeholders, coordinate meetings and interface with stakeholders, as needed.
- 9. Post and maintain project information for public consumption on the County website.
- 10. Assist with Coordination between the Firm and the County's other subconsultants.
- 11. Negotiate with all utility companies for any agreements and/or relocations required.
- 12. Provide an agent as necessary to secure proposed right-of-way.

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- 13. Provide construction observation and review contractor pay applications and progress.
- 14. Provide Firm with Contractor submittals, Requests for Information, shop drawings, and correspondence.
- 15. Review Firm progress, submittals, and plan changes.

ATTACHMENT B SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED BY THE FIRM FOR THE NORTH BARKER STREET IMPROVEMENTS IN THRALL

WORK AUTHORIZATION NO. 7 PROJECT: North Barker Street Improvements in Thrall – Environmental Services

The County proposes street and drainage improvements to North Barker Street in the town of Thrall (project). The proposed project will reconstruct roadways with flex base and asphalt within an approximately 0.2-mile-long, 18-foot-wide roadway and will improve drainage within a 0.6-mile-long ditch just south of the roadway, covering approximately 22.5 acres (project area). The Firm received an approximate project area on February 4, 2025, as shown in Figure 1.

The project area is within an area that may host the monarch butterfly (*Danaus plexippus*) and the tricolored bat (*Perimyotis subflavus*), both of which are proposed for federal protection under the Endangered Species Act.

Environmental services will be provided upon the request of the County as needed for the project, including:

• Threatened and Endangered Species Habitat Assessment and Impacts Analysis

To perform these environmental services, the Firm will access those parcels within the project area where right-of-entry has been obtained, which will be coordinated by the County. Additionally, the Firm could review the project area from existing right-of-way if right-of-entry has not been fully acquired by the County. The Firm anticipates that environmental services will be completed in one day. Parcels requiring a separate site visit may require a Supplemental Work Authorization.

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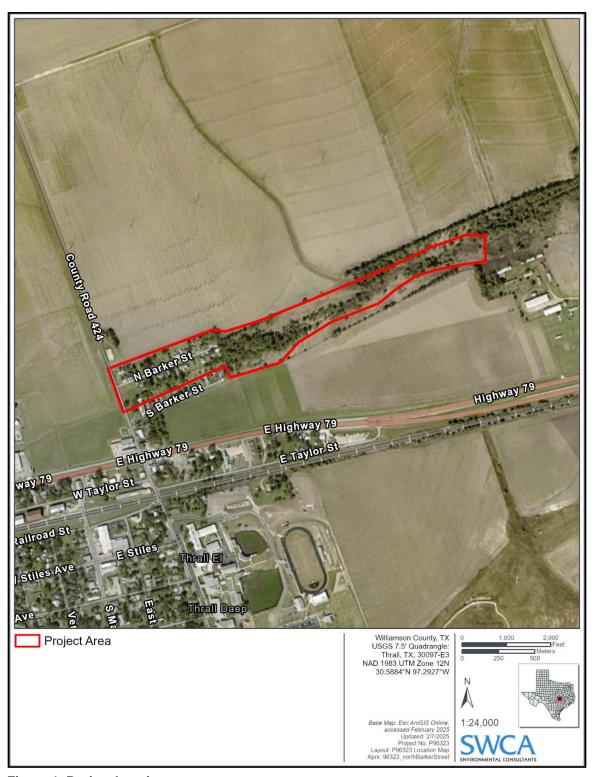


Figure 1. Project location map.

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Threatened and Endangered Species Habitat Assessment and Impacts Analysis

The Firm will perform a field investigation of land features and vegetation communities within the project area to evaluate the potential for federally listed or proposed threatened and endangered species habitat to occur within the project area. Based on an initial review of aerial imagery, the Firm anticipates that the field investigation will focus on potential habitat for the monarch butterfly and the tricolored bat.

Deliverables

The Firm will prepare a draft and final *Threatened and Endangered Species Habitat Assessment and Impacts Analysis Report*, which will include a map depicting the distribution of any potentially suitable habitat for federally protected species within the project area. Within 6 weeks of the field investigation, the Firm will provide the County with a draft report in electronic format (PDF) for review and comment. The Firm will respond to one round of comments and will provide the County with a final version of the report in electronic format within 2 weeks of receiving comments.

Cost Summary

The Firm offers the Work Authorization described herein on a time-and-materials basis, not to exceed the agreed-upon compensation cap, per the terms listed in the current Master Services Agreement between the Firm and the County. The Firm can provide the Work Authorization for an estimated cost of \$13,179.00 (Attachment D).

Assumptions

The estimated cost is based upon complete and open access to the project area. All land acquisition or right-of-entry to the project area will be obtained by the County prior to the commencement of field investigations described within this Work Authorization. Factors beyond the Firm's control, such as access restrictions, inclement weather, or unsafe project conditions that result in delays to the project schedule or require additional mobilizations, may require a Supplemental Work Authorization.

- The Firm's safety policy requires employees to stop work when the heat index meets 110 degrees Fahrenheit. If fieldwork is delayed due to extreme heat, a change order may be required.
- The estimated cost does not include presence/absence surveys, which would require a Supplemental Work Authorization.
- No agency consultation or permitting documentation is included in this scope of services.

ATTACHMENT C WORK SCHEDULE FOR THE NORTH BARKER STREET IMPROVEMENTS IN THRALL

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The Firm is prepared to begin work immediately upon receiving a Notice-to-Proceed (NTP) for the work schedule provided for assigned tasks as given. The Firm will perform the field survey within 3 weeks of NTP and will submit the first draft of the report to the County within 6 weeks of field survey completion. All work is expected to be completed and finalized by December 31, 2025.

ATTACHMENT D FEE SCHEDULE FOR THE NORTH BARKER STREET IMPROVEMENTS IN THRALL

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Table 1. Anticipated Fee Details

| Project Role | Per Unit Rate | Number of Units | Value |
|-------------------------|---------------|-----------------|-------------|
| Labor | · | | |
| Specialist I | \$77.00 | 0 | \$0.00 |
| Specialist III | \$91.00 | 0 | \$0.00 |
| Specialist III | \$104.00 | 33 | \$3,432.00 |
| Specialist IV | \$114.00 | 28 | \$3,192.00 |
| Specialist V | \$123.00 | 16 | \$1,968.00 |
| Specialist VI | \$137.00 | 12 | \$1,644.00 |
| Specialist VIII | \$158.00 | 0 | \$0.00 |
| Specialist IX | \$169.00 | 14 | \$2,366.00 |
| Specialist X | \$189.00 | 0 | \$0.00 |
| Specialist XI | \$207.00 | 0 | \$0.00 |
| Specialist XII | \$226.00 | 0 | \$0.00 |
| Subject Matter Expert I | \$230.00 | 2 | \$460.00 |
| Labor Subtotal | | | \$13,062.00 |
| Direct Costs | _ | | |
| Mileage | \$0.70 | 110 | \$77.00 |
| Tablet & Geode | \$40.00 | 1 | \$40.00 |
| Direct Costs Subtotal | | | \$117.00 |
| GRAND TOTAL | | | \$13,179.00 |